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INTERIOR DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES \$8,719,000 JOB-CREATING ACCELERATED PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN TWENTY-FOUR STATES

Approval of \$8,719,000 in new forestry conservation projects, creating jobs for about 2,100 chronically unemployed workers, was announced today by the Secretary of Interior Stewart L. Udall under the Accelerated Public Works Program.

"This is the amount of direct, on-site employment to be produced," Secretary Udall said. "At least an equal number of unemployed workers will find jobs because of the demand for goods and services these projects create."

Work will be done on public lands, national parks, national monuments, wildlife refuges, and Indian reservations in 24 States. Besides providing much-needed employment, it will improve facilities used by millions of hikers, picnickers, and campers; help promote tourism, and conserve the Nation's timber and water resources, Secretary Udall said.

The Department of the Interior thus far has received a total allocation of \$63 million in APW funds from the Area Redevelopment Administration, which has charge of the overall program. Of this, \$25 million became available only recently. Today's announcement brings the funds earmarked for specific Interior conservation projects to about \$53 million. The 92 new projects are located in more than 100 counties.

The projects will provide nearly 13,000 man-months of on-site employment and will carry forward the activities of four bureaus of the Department of the Interior. The largest share of the work--45 projects, valued at \$5,512,000--will be done in areas administered by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Bureau of Land Management is in charge of 32 projects, representing an investment of \$1,933,000; the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife has nine, totaling \$800,000, and the National Park Service has six, on which \$474,000 will be invested.

Following is a description of the latest projects approved for each State:

ALASKA

Eklutna Lake

The Bureau of Land Management plans protection and sanitation facilities at Eklutna Lake, near Anchorage, valued at \$33,000. This job will begin in August and provide 24 man-months of employment.

Miles Lake

Similar facilities, representing an investment of \$20,000, will be provided by the Bureau of Land Management at Miles Lake, near Cordova. The work will employ six men for four months.

Bayer Lake

Protection and sanitation facilities totaling \$18,000 are scheduled for Bayer Lake, in the Palmer-Wasilla-Talkeetna area. The Bureau of Land Management expects to begin this project in August; 24 man-months of employment will be created.

Fort Yukon

An office warehouse and garage are to be built by the Bureau of Land Management at Fort Yukon. These improvements, valued at \$50,000, represent 36 man-months of employment. The work begins in September.

Galena

A new fire-control station, valued at \$50,000 will be built by the Bureau of Land Management, at Galena, in the Yukon-Kuskokwim area. The project is scheduled to begin in September. It will produce 36 man-months of work.

Bethel

The Bureau also will build a new office, garage, and warehouse at Bethel, valued at \$46,000. This project will require 34 man-months.

ARIZONA

All projects in Arizona will be managed by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. They are:

Fort Apache Indian Reservation

Forest areas at the Fort Apache Indian Reservation, in Apache and Navajo Counties, will be improved by an investment of \$200,000. This project will provide about 360 man-months of employment, beginning late in August.

Havasupai Indian Reservation

Similar work will be undertaken at the Havasupai Indian Reservation, in Coconino County. The estimated value of this project is \$20,000. It will begin late in August and provide 36 man-months of employment.

Hualapi Indian Reservation

At the Hualapi Indian Reservation, in Coconino County, the Bureau has scheduled a forest preservation and multiple-use development project valued at \$25,000. It will provide 48 man-months of employment, beginning late in August.

Navajo Indian Reservation

At the Navajo Indian Reservation, in Apache, Coconino, and Navajo Counties, two projects have been approved. The timber stand will be improved and inventoried for \$270,000. This work will provide 459 man-months of employment and begin late in August. Also, fire prevention and control facilities will be built in Apache, Navajo, and Coconino Counties for \$250,000, creating 432 man-months of employment. Both projects are scheduled to get underway late in August.

San Carlos Indian Reservation

Forest lands on the San Carlos Indian Reservation in Gila County will be improved for \$250,000. Approximately 430 man-months of employment will be provided, beginning late in August.

ARKANSAS

White River National Wildlife Refuge

The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife plans two projects for White River National Wildlife Refuge--one in Desha County, the other in Phillips County. Both involve thinning and snag-felling of the timber stand, construction of forest roads and trails. The Desha County project will employ 12 men for approximately six months, and is valued at \$60,000; the Phillips County project is valued at \$160,000 and will create jobs for about 32 men for six months. Both projects are scheduled to begin in August.

IDAHO

Benewah

The Bureau of Land Management will thin and snag-fell 25 acres of timber stand in Benewah County, provide protection and sanitation facilities, and improve 9 miles of the St. Joe forest access road. This project, valued at \$79,000, is scheduled to begin in August and will provide 72 man-months of employment.

Bonner

A similar timber stand improvement and hazard reduction project, including protection facilities, is earmarked for Bonner County. It represents an investment of \$30,000, and will provide 24 man-months of employment. The work is scheduled to begin in August.

Boundary

Fifty acres of timber stand will be improved in Boundary County, and protection and sanitation facilities will be provided, by the Bureau of Land Management, for \$7,000. Twelve man-months of employment are to be created, beginning in September.

Shookumchuck Creek

Construction of protection and sanitation facilities at Shookumchuck Creek, in Idaho County, also will be undertaken by the Bureau of Land Management. This project, valued at \$12,000, will provide 12 man-months of employment, and begin in September.

Kootenai

Construction of 12 miles of forest access roads is earmarked for Kootenai County by the Bureau of Land Management. The project represents a \$67,000 investment. It will provide 60 man-months of employment and begin in August.

Fort Hall Indian Reservation

The Bureau of Indian Affairs will improve forest areas at the Fort Hall Indian Reservation in Bancroft, Power, and Bingham Counties. The value of this work is approximately \$75,000. It will begin in about 30 days and provide 132 man-months of employment.

ILLINOIS

Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge

The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife has \$125,000 worth of improvements scheduled for the Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge in Williamson and Union Counties. The work includes reforestation, timber stand improvement, and construction and reconstruction of forest trails and roads. This project is scheduled to begin in August. It will take about six months, and provide 140 man-months of employment.

MICHIGAN

L'Anse Indian Reservation

A forest preservation and multiple-use development project on the L'Anse Indian Reservation, in Baraga County is planned by the Bureau of Indian

Affairs. Value of the work is approximately \$15,000. It will begin in 30 days and provide approximately 24 man-months of employment.

MINNESOTA

Northern Minnesota Indian Reservations

Forest regeneration and timber stand improvements are planned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs at the Red Lake, Nett Lake, Leach Lake, and White Earth Indian Reservations, in Becker, Beltrami, Mahnomen, Itasca, Koochiching, and St. Louis Counties. The work is valued at \$120,000, and will provide approximately 216 man-months of employment. It is scheduled to begin in 30 days.

Approximately \$380,000 will be spent on a wildlife rehabilitation project in Clearwater County by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. This activity is scheduled to begin in 30 days and will provide 648 man-months of employment.

Fond du Lac Indian Reservation

Forest preservation and multiple-use development of the timber stand is planned on the Fond du Lac Indian Reservation in Carlton County by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Valued at \$22,000, the project will provide 36 man-months of employment and is scheduled to begin in 30 days.

Mille Lac Indian Reservation

The Mille Lac Indian Reservation in Pine County will receive a \$129,000 project involving forest preservation and multiple-use development. Beginning in 30 days, this activity will create 216 man-months of employment.

Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge

The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife plans to improve the timber stand, forest roads and trails at the Rice Lake National Wildlife Refuge in Aitkin County. The value of the work is estimated at \$40,000. It will provide 48 man-months of employment.

MISSOURI

Mingo National Wildlife Refuge

At Mingo National Wildlife Refuge in Wayne County, the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife will improve forest trails and roads, and provide better protection for the timber stand, for \$75,000. This work, scheduled to begin early in August, will provide 90 man-months of employment.

MONTANA

Silver Bow Project

Seven miles of firebreaks and trails will be built in Silver Bow County by the Bureau of Land Management, for \$4,000. Scheduled to start in August, the project will provide 12 man-months of employment.

Blackfeet Indian Reservation

At the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, four projects will be undertaken by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The St. Mary's and Livermore Creek forest access roads will be constructed, involving an investment of \$310,000 and creating 528 man-months of work. A forestry warehouse will be built for \$40,000, which will generate 72 man-months of employment. Campsites, picnic tables, and sanitary facilities will be built in Glacier County for \$80,000 and in Pondera County for \$10,000. The two recreation projects will together, create 168 man-months of work on the reservation.

Crow Indian Reservation

At the Crow Indian Reservation, in Big Horn County, the Bureau of Indian Affairs plans a forest preservation and multiple-use development project representing an investment of \$80,000. The work is scheduled to begin in August and will provide 144 man-months of employment.

Flathead Indian Reservation

A forest preservation and multiple-use development project also is scheduled for the Flathead Indian Reservation in Flathead, Missoula, Lake, and Sanders Counties by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Valued at \$112,000, it will provide 216 man-months of employment.

Fort Belknap Indian Reservation

A forest preservation and multiple-use development project, involving an expenditure of \$80,000, will be undertaken by the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation. Much of the work will be in Blaine County, the rest in Phillips County. The project will start late in August, and create 144 man-months of employment.

Fort Peck Indian Reservation

A similar forest-improvement project, valued at \$60,000, is scheduled for the Fort Peck Indian Reservation. It will create 108 man-months of labor and will begin late in August. The work will be in Roosevelt and Valley Counties.

Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation

A \$100,000 forest-improvement project is scheduled for the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Work will be started in both Big Horn and Rosebud counties late in August. The labor requirement is estimated at 180 man-months.

Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation

The Bureau of Indian Affairs has scheduled a \$30,000 forest preservation and multiple-use development project for the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation. Evenly divided between Chouteau and Hill counties, the work will require 48 man-months of labor and will begin in 30 days.

NEBRASKA

Omaha Indian Reservation

The Bureau of Indian Affairs will remove snags, reseed and thin timber stands on the Omaha Indian Reservation in Cuming and Thurston counties. About \$63,000 will be invested, creating 108 man-months of employment. The work is scheduled to begin in 30 days.

NEVADA

Lincoln

The Bureau of Land Management will begin an \$83,000 forestry project in Lincoln County late in August. Creating 96 man-months of work, the project will improve 2,200 acres of timber stand, provide 24 miles of access road improvements, reforest 500 acres, and include 500 acres of snag-felling.

Mineral

A \$56,000 project by the Bureau of Land Management will create 48 man-months of work in Mineral County. This project, scheduled to begin in August, will involve construction of the Corey Peak repeater station and construction and improvement of forest access roads.

NEW MEXICO

Catron

The Bureau of Land Management will undertake a \$25,000 project of mistletoe control and snag-felling on 2,500 acres in Catron County, beginning in August. An estimated 48 man-months of labor will be created.

Taos

A snag-felling project on 4,000 acres of timber stand will be started in August by the Bureau of Land Management. Valued at \$50,000, this project will create 60 man-months of employment.

Valencia

Valencia County will receive a \$25,000 Bureau of Land Management project, providing forest site improvement on 640 acres and 1,280 acres of snag-felling. The work will begin in August and create 48 man-months of employment.

Acoma Indian Reservation

The Bureau of Indian Affairs will start a forest preservation and multiple-use development project on the Acoma Indian Reservation in Valencia County within 30 days. Valued at \$113,000, the project will create 192 man-months of employment.

Isleta Indian Reservation

The Isleta Indian Reservation will receive an \$85,000 forest preservation and multiple-use development project. Although all three counties--Bernalillo, Valencia, and Torrance will be covered--the bulk of the work will be in Torrance. The Bureau of Indian Affairs will begin the project late in August. It will provide 144 man-months of work.

Jemez Indian Reservation

A forest preservation and multiple-use development project is scheduled by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the Jemez Indian Reservation late in August. Valued at \$71,000, it will provide 120 man-months of work in Sandoval County.

Jicarilla Indian Reservation

An \$88,000 project of forest preservation and multiple-use development will be started within four weeks on the Jicarilla Indian Reservation in Rio Arriba and Sandoval counties. The Bureau of Indian Affairs expects to provide 156 man-months of employment while this activity is underway.

Mescalero Indian Reservation

The Mescalero Indian Reservation will be the site of \$97,000 worth of forest preservation work, beginning late in August. This project will create 158 man-months of employment. The Bureau of Indian Affairs will do the work in Otero County.

Navajo Indian Reservation

The Bureau of Indian Affairs will start a \$300,000 project, involving forest preservation and multiple-use development, on the Navajo Indian Reservation in late August. An estimated 316 man-months of work will be provided in McKinley and San Juan counties.

San Ildefonso Indian Reservation

A \$10,000 forest preservation project will be started by the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the San Ildefonso Indian Reservation in Santa Fe County. An estimated 24 man-months of work will become available within 30 days.

Santa Clara Indian Reservation

The Santa Clara Indian Reservation will receive a \$35,000 forest preservation and multiple-use development project late in August. The bulk of the work will be in Sandoval County, with minor portions slated for Rio Arriba and Santa Fe counties. Sixty-one man-months of employment will be created.

Taos Indian Reservation

The Bureau of Indian Affairs will undertake a \$25,000 forest improvement project on the Taos Indian Reservation in Taos County within four weeks. Forty-eight man-months of work will be generated.

Teseque Indian Reservation

A \$10,000 forest preservation project will be started on the Teseque Indian Reservation in August by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. It will create 15 man-months of work in Santa Fe County.

Zuni Indian Reservation

A forest preservation and multiple-use development project valued at \$208,000 has been approved for the Zuni Indian Reservation. The Bureau of Indian Affairs will start this project late in August and will provide 360 man-months of employment in McKinley County.

Bandelier National Monument

At the Bandelier National Monument in Sandoval County, the National Park Service has a \$90,000 project scheduled, which includes forest disease control, reduction of fire hazards, and construction of fire trails. This work, which is to begin within the next few weeks, will provide an estimated 226 man-months of employment.

NORTH CAROLINA

Great Smoky Mountains National Park

The National Park Service plans to improve trails, raze various old buildings, and restore sites in Great Smoky Mountains National Park, for \$20,000. This project will begin in August and last approximately four months. About 60 man-months of employment will be generated.

NORTH DAKOTA

Fort Berthold Indian Reservation

Forest preservation and multiple-use development work is planned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs at the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. This project, representing an investment of \$50,000, will provide about 75 man-months of employment in Drum, McKenzie, McLean, Mercer, and Mountrail Counties.

Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation

A forest preservation and multiple-use development project is scheduled by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation in Rolette County. It is valued at \$236,000, and will produce 408 man-months of employment.

OKLAHOMA

Five Civilized Tribes

The Five Civilized Tribes in Adair, Cherokee, Haskell, and McIntosh Counties, will benefit from a \$350,000 Bureau of Indian Affairs project involving preservation and multiple-use development of forested areas. Some 588 man-months of employment will be provided by this work, which is scheduled to begin in August.

OREGON

Josephine

Late in August, the Bureau of Land Management expects to start a \$166,000 forestry project in Josephine County, which will create 120 man-months of employment. The work will include reduction of tree hazards, seed collection on 2,800 acres, and the construction and improvement of protection and sanitation facilities along the Rogue River Trail.

Galice Road

Construction of the Galice forest access road will be undertaken by the Bureau of Land Management in October. The \$200,000 project will provide an estimated 130 man-months of employment in Josephine County.

Wasco

Sixty acres of public land in Wasco County will be reforested by the Bureau of Land Management for \$5,000. Twelve man-months of employment will be created, beginning in October.

Lakeview

The Green Mountain Lookout will be constructed by the Bureau of Land Management. About \$10,000 will be invested in this work. Located in Lake County, it will provide 12 man-months of employment beginning in September.

Coos

A \$95,000 multipurpose forest improvement project will be started in Coos County by the Bureau of Land Management in late August. The work includes 150 acres of reforestation, 150 acres of site improvement, 1,300 acres of snag-felling, slash disposal along 80 miles of roadway, and construction of 20 miles of control fence to protect forest seedlings. This activity will provide 108 man-months of employment.

Elk Creek Road

A \$137,000 project will provide 96 man-months of labor, which is to be invested in construction of the Elk Creek Forest access road in Coos County. The Bureau of Land Management expects to start the road in October.

Douglas

A multipurpose forest improvement project, valued at \$289,000, is scheduled for Douglas County late in August. The Bureau of Land Management will fell tree snags, improve sites, reforest, clear away downed timbers, and build protection and sanitation facilities at Wolf Creek and Little River. The nine-month project will create 372 man-months of work.

La Pine

Twenty-one miles of forest access road will be constructed in the La Pine area of Deschutes County for \$45,000. The Bureau of Land Management will provide 36 man-months of employment through this project, beginning in September.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge

The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife plans a reforestation project at the Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge in Chesterfield County. Protection facilities also will be built, and forest roads and trails will be improved. The value of the work is \$200,000, and it will provide about 240 man-months of employment. Scheduled starting date is August.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Pine Ridge Indian Reservation

Late in August, the Bureau of Indian Affairs will start a forest preservation and multiple-use development project on the Pipe Ridge Indian Reservation in

Bennett, Shannon, and Washabaugh Counties. Valued at \$130,000, the project will create 228 man-months of work.

Rosebud Indian Reservation

A \$180,000 forest preservation and multiple-use development will be undertaken on the Rosebud Indian Reservation by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. This project involves 144 man-months of work in Gregory, Mellette, Todd, and Tripp Counties.

TENNESSEE

Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge

Forest trails and roads will be improved, the timber stand will be upgraded, and reforestation will be undertaken, at the Tennessee National Wildlife Refuge by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. This work represents an investment of approximately \$40,000, and will provide 40 man-months of employment. It is scheduled to begin in August.

UTAH

Beaver

Timber stands on six hundred acres of public lands in Beaver County will be improved through an expenditure of \$30,000 by the Bureau of Land Management. This project will begin in August and provide 24 man-months of employment.

Carbon

The Bureau of Land Management will develop sites on 515 acres, and reduce the insect population on 40 acres, in Carbon County. This is a \$14,000 project which will provide 24 man-months of employment, beginning in August.

Emery

Fifteen miles of fire control access roads will be built on public lands in Emery County by the Bureau of Land Management, for \$45,000. The work will create 36 man-months of employment, beginning in August.

Duchesne

Timber is to be improved, and forest access roads constructed, for \$50,000 by the Bureau of Land Management in Duchesne County. The project will produce 36 man-months of employment, and will start in August.

Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservations

Approximately 36 man-months of employment will be produced by a forest preservation and multiple-use development project at the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in Duchesne County. The Bureau of Indian Affairs will supervise this project, valued at \$20,000.

VIRGINIA

Cumberland Gap National Historical Park

Trail improvements, planting and selective cutting of the timber stand, are planned at Cumberland Gap National Historical Park by the National Park Service. This project, involving an investment of \$20,000, will provide 68 man-months of employment. It is scheduled to begin in August.

WASHINGTON

Colville Indian Reservation

Forest areas on the Colville Indian Reservation in Ferry and Okanogan Counties will be improved and prepared for multiple-use development by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. This \$250,000 project will provide 422 man-months of employment.

Quinault Indian Reservation

Additional forest preservation and multiple-use development work is planned by the Bureau of Indian Affairs at the Quinault Indian Reservation in Grays Harbor County. Here, \$245,000 is to be spent, providing 420 man-months of employment.

Yakima Indian Reservation

The Yakima Indian Reservation in Yakima County will be the site of a forest preservation and multiple-use development project of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Valued at \$250,000, the project will provide 422 man-months of employment.

Mt. Rainier National Park

Seasonal employee housing and a new ranger station will be built in Mount Rainier National Park by the National Park Service. Approximately \$165,000 is to be expended on this project, providing 190 man-months of employment.

Olympic National Park

Roadside cleanup, boundary survey and marking work has been scheduled in Olympic National Park, Mason County. This \$8,000 project will begin in August and provide seven man-months of employment.

Willapa National Wildlife Refuge

Forest roads and trails will be developed, timbered areas improved, and forest protection facilities increased, at the Willapa National Wildlife Refuge by the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. This project, valued at \$100,000, will provide 144 man-months of employment. It is scheduled to begin in August.

WISCONSIN

Northern Wisconsin Indian Reservations

Forest preservation and multiple-use development projects have been scheduled by the Bureau of Indian Affairs at the Northern Wisconsin Indian Reservations in Burnett, Bayfield, Ashland, Sawyer, and Vilas Counties. The total value of this work will be \$50,000. It will provide about 75 man-months of employment and begin in approximately 30 days.

WYOMING

Wind River Indian Reservation

A forest preservation and multiple-use development project is planned at the Wind River Indian Reservation in Fremont and Hot Springs Counties by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The estimated investment is \$88,000, and 156 man-months of employment will be generated by the work, which is scheduled to start in 30 days.

Grand Teton National Park

At Grand Teton National Park, the National Park Service has scheduled general grounds improvement work, valued at \$171,000, and providing 302 man-months of employment. This project is scheduled to start in August.

Big Horn

Sites will be improved on 1,000 acres of public land in Big Horn County by a Bureau of Land Management project valued at \$42,000. Forty-eight man-months of employment will be created, beginning in August.

Johnson

The Billy Creek access road will be built in Johnson County by a \$50,000 Bureau of Land Management project. The work will begin in September and provide 36 man-months of employment.

Uinta

Insect control, timber stand improvement, and a new access road will be provided on public land in Uinta County by a \$100,000 Bureau of Land Management project. About 96 man-months of employment will be created, beginning in September.

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